Conversion of State into Central University

852. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the University Grants Commission has opposed the conversion of any State University into Central University;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by UGC, the Commission, in principle, is not in favour of converting any State University into a Central University as this may be an unending demand. Also, such conversion merely transfers financial liability from the State Govt. concerned to the UGC or the Central Government without doing anything directly to the quality of education. With the extremely limited financial resources available to it, the UGC is not in a position to meet such additional burden of maintenance. Moreover, burdening the UGC with responsibility for maintenance would inevitably detract it from attending to development and standards in all Universities of the country which is its main responsibility under the UGC Act.

(c) State Universities have been set up by Acts of the respective State Legislatures, and as a matter of policy, the Central Government is not in favour of converting State Universities into Central Universities.

Engineering Colleges in the Country

853. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the names of Engineering Colleges as on 1st April, 1992 run by Central/State Governments and non-Governmental organisations;

(b) what is the in-take of each one of them in the Civil, Mechanical, Electrical, Textiles, Computer Science etc; and

(c) what amount Government spend on each student on an average ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (c) The present number of approved Degree level Engineering Colleges in the Country is of the order of 204 with an intake capacity of about 40,000. These include Central Institutes, State Colleges as well as aided/unaided Institutes. Apart from Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Textile, Computer Sciences, these institutes conduct several other courses at under-graduate and post graduate levels. On an average, the annual recurring expenditure estimated by a Committee of the All India Council for Technical Education for training one degree level engineer is Rs. 12,000/-.

भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण द्वारा व्यय की गई राशि

851. श्री रामसिंह राठवा : क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण ने अपने बजटीय आवंटनों में से प्रतिवर्ष कुल कितनी-कितनी राशि खर्च की थी;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि बजटीय आवंटनों का अधिकांश भाग भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण के कर्मचारियों के वेतन पर खर्च किया जाता है; और

(ग) सरकार द्वारा स्मारकों के संरक्षण और उनके रख-रखाव पर अधिक राशि खर्च करने के लिये क्या प्रयास किये गये हैं ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय (शिक्षा विभाग और संस्कृति विभागों) में उप मंत्री

(कुमारी शैलजा) : (क) भारतीय पुरातत्व सर्वेक्षण द्वारा पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान किया गया वर्ष-वार व्यय इस प्रकार है :—

1989-90	29.12 करोड़ रु.
1990-91	29.83 करोड़ रु.
1991-92	31.80 करोड़ रु.

(ख) हिसाब लगाया गया है कि कुल बजट आबंटन में से लगभग 50 प्रतिशत वेतन के भुगतान पर खर्च होता है ।

(ग) आठवीं योजनावधि में इस कार्य के लिए बढ़ी हुई राशि की व्यवस्था की गई है। इसके अलावा, फंड देने वाली बाह्य एजेंसियों से भी पता लगाया गया है ।

Free Education for Girls

855. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKAR DAVE : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to make free girl child education scheme for standard-I, upto Graduation in the country to promote education among them; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) and (b) No such proposal is under consideration. Education for girls is free upto elementary stage in government schools in all States and Union-Territories. Some States and UTs have extended this facility to girls studying in secondary/senior secondary schools and upto college stage also. Others have not been able to do so because of financial constraints.

Memorandum received by Government

856. SHRI GAYA SINGH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently received some Memorandum sent through the officers of Assistant Commissioners of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan's 15 Regional Offices and Collectors of some districts;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers' Association, one of the Teachers' Association, had forwarded a Memorandum through the Regional Offices and some District Collectors raising various issues relating mainly to representation of employees in the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and its Board of Governors, Rationalisation of Joint Consultative Machinery and other routine administrative matters. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has held discussions on 16th & 17th November, 1992 with the representatives of the AIKVTA and other teachers' Associations.

Budget of the Indian Institute of Science

857. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have approved the budget of the Council of the Indian Institute of Science for the year 1992-93;

(b) if so, when it was approved;

(c) when the sanction was conveyed to the Council of I.I.S.;

(d) whether it is a fact that the delay in conveying the Government's sanction to IIS has made its functioning extremely difficult;

(e) if so, what are the reasons for the delay; and

(f) what steps Government have taken in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to